

A clearer first conversation.

Use these two pages before requesting prices. You will leave with a concise project brief and a short list of unanswered questions.

1. State the project

Intended use: _____

Preferred home type: _____

State / region: _____

Target period: _____

Space, accessibility or household needs: _____

2. Separate the home from the whole project

Budget group	What to collect
The home	Written specification and the price of required options
The site	Land or lease setup, site preparation and supports
Getting connected	Water, wastewater, power and installation
Getting there	Delivery route, transport, lifting and access
Completing the project	Required approvals, inspections, fees and your chosen reserve

Leave an unknown amount blank. A home advertised at a particular price is not automatically a complete project at that price.

3. Build a first plan

Open tinyhomes.ascendantsystems.net/planner/. Enter your own quotes and estimates, record the open siting questions and save the plan on your device. No account is needed.

Five answers before the deposit.

Question	Answer or next action
Can I use this type of home for my intended purpose on this site?	Ask the responsible local authority. _____
Exactly what does the builder include?	Request a dated specification and exclusions. _____
Who pays for and arranges delivery, site work and utilities?	Assign each responsibility in writing. _____
What conditions release each payment?	Read the agreement and identify the evidence. _____
What happens if the scope or timing changes?	Request the approval and change process. _____

Send a precise first inquiry

"I am planning a tiny home for the use, region and timing described in my project brief. Please send a dated quote, specification, inclusions, exclusions, allowance amounts, delivery assumptions and payment schedule. Please identify which questions require a site assessment before you can price them."

When you have quotes

Compare their completed scope rather than the headline alone. The Tiny Home Decision Kit adds a three-quote workbook, allowance calculations, payment and change trackers, worked examples and buyer templates. See tinychomes.ascendantsystems.net/decision-kit/.

All About Tiny Homes is an Ascendant Systems project. This checklist helps organize project questions; site-specific answers come from the responsible authority, builder or service provider. Version 1.0.